

**AMENDMENT AFTER FINAL
EXPEDITED PROCEDURE
EXAMINING GROUP 1652**

PATENT

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AMENDMENT AND RESPONSE UNDER 37 C.F.R. § 1.111

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Sir:

This is in response to the final office action mailed November 27, 2002,
wherein pending claim 1 was subject to objection and claims 2-8, 10, 11, 46-48, and
59-64 were variously rejected under 35 U.S.C. §§ 101, 102, and 112, first and second
paragraphs. Reconsideration and withdrawal of the rejections are respectfully
requested in light of the following amendment and remarks. This response is timely
filed along with a petition for a three-month extension of time and the appropriate fee.